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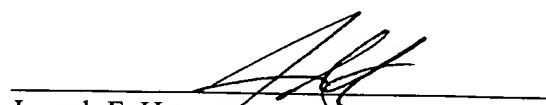
Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits documents A1-A38 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of these documents are enclosed herewith. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Further, Applicant reserves the right to contest that any of these documents is prior art against the present application.

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